

Recognizing the Chesterfield County Committee on the Future On The Occasion Of Their 20th Anniversary

Whereas, the Chesterfield County Committee on the Future was established in 1987 by the Board of Supervisors and the County Charter for the purpose of assessing the future and long range challenges which the county will face, advising the Board of Supervisors, and making recommendations to lessen any adverse effect on the county of future changes; and

Whereas, the first appointees to the Committee were named in July, 1988; and

Whereas, a total of forty-six residents have been appointed to the Committee over the last twenty years; and

Whereas, the Committee has completed six documents and is working on a seventh; and

Whereas, the Committee has held numerous community meetings and public forums to receive information on the various topics; and

Whereas, the Committee has prepared two-hundred and seven recommendations to guide decisions made about the future of Chesterfield County; and

Whereas, almost eighty percent of the recommendations have been implemented to date; and

Whereas, the Committee initiated its first report, “1990 VISION 2020” which centered around four topical areas – Education, Natural Environment, Transportation and Government Structure – that served as a basis for citizen input which the Committee synthesized into its recommendations for action; and

Whereas, the Committee has since completed five reports as follows: "Economic Development: Strategies for Success;" "Neighborhood Preservation: Strategies Now for Success;" “Youth Development: Today’s Youth, Tomorrow’s Leaders;” “Aging of the Population: Choices, Options and Benefits of Aging;” “Green Infrastructure: Protecting Resources for Future Generations;” and

Whereas, the Committee is currently working on the topic “Education to Prepare Residents to Thrive in a Global Society ” to make recommendations and provide strategies to the Board of Supervisors that will take a proactive approach toward addressing the cultural, economic, environmental, political and technological aspects of living in a global society; and

Whereas, the members, past and current, have dedicated countless hours to the Committee during the past twenty years.

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Chesterfield County Board of Supervisors, this 19th day of November 2008, publicly recognizes the Chesterfield County Committee on the Future and commends its members, past and current, for their dedication and outstanding service to the residents of Chesterfield County.

And, Be It Further Resolved, that a copy of this resolution be presented to the Committee and that this resolution be permanently recorded among the papers of this Board of Supervisors of Chesterfield County, Virginia.